

Essential Questions for *Fahrenheit 451*

Pre-Reading:

As we read this novel, take notes to figure out Ray Bradbury's ANSWERS to each of these questions. You'll be answering them later as the author might answer them.

First though, figure out YOUR ANSWERS to these questions. 1-2 paragraphs for each.

1. What are the potential dangers of technological advancement?
2. What are the potential dangers of censorship? Can we censor **OURSELVES**? **How**? Do others censor us? How do they do it? Why do they do it?
3. What defines a person? What makes you who you are? On what criteria do you want others to judge you?
4. How can an author's use of figurative language enhance the quality of the literature and the author's message?